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"THE SEA LIGN"A

by Emily Johnson

Directed by Rowland V. Lee

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CAST

SYNOPSIS

"The Lair", a whaling schooner, orussing in Alaskan waters, was homeward bound for San Francisco. Known and feared as "The Sea Lion" by all that sailed the seas, was Nelson, captain of "The Lair".

For Nelson, home-coming bore no significance. Twenty years before he had returned after a cruise only to find that in his absence his wife had deserted him for another man. Hardened and embittered, he turned to the sea for solace and became a man of iron whom all men feared.

"The Lair" made San Francisco, but Nelson, restless to be off again, gav sailing ordered before the cargo was barely discharged.

Tom Walton, a young San Francisco spendthrift, had exhausted his guardian's patience and was turned adrift on his own resources. Realizing that he must work in earnest, he decided to ship as one of the crew on "The Lair".

After a spell of bad weather the ship was becalmed and a shortage of the water supply was threatened. Nelson appropriated more than his share and the men mutinied. A terrific struggle ensued and Nelson was overpowered.

Tom was sent achors on a water expedition and there discovered two cast-aways, an old man and a beautiful young girl. He took them aboard "The Lair" and Nelson after questioning the old man, learned that the girl was the daughter of his wife. Enraged at the sight of the girl, whom he believed to be a proof of his wife's unfaithfulness, he tormented and humiliated her at every opportunity.

Tom, aghast at the persecution of the girl he had come to love, managed to steal her may for a few hours in a whale-boat of which he was in command.

Alarmed by the approach of lowering storm clouds, Nelson decided to pull up anchor and out out to sea, deliverating abandoning the occupants of the small phale-boat to their fate.

Later, while the storm raged, he discovered the girl's Bible, wherein was written the record of his wife's blameless life. He then learned for the first time that the girl whom he had been persecuting was his own daughter. Fearful lest he may have sent her to her death he swung "The Lair" around and returned to effect a successful rescie.

Father and daughter were happily united and Tom found himself the prospective son-in-law of "The Sea Lion."

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